

Hands-On Training: USDA Transaction Approval & Reallocation in Access Online

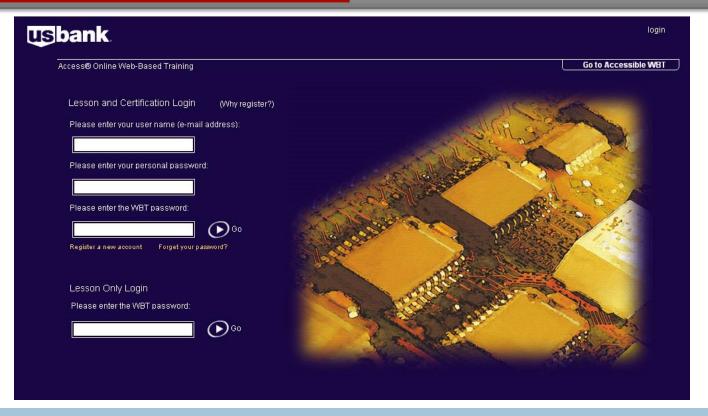
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USDA Transaction Approval & Reallocation in Access Online (AXOL)

This training focuses on the Review of Transaction Approval in Access Online (AXOL) to show you how to work most efficiently in AXOL when approving and reallocating your transactions.

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Approving/Reallocating Transactions Checklist

- The following is a checklist for cardholders as they begin to approve/reallocate transactions:
 - ✓ <u>Confirm Details</u> Review the transaction details for correct price and item content. And be sure you know the correct accounting code to reallocate/approve to, as you will only have one chance to make sure all information is correct.
 - ✓ <u>Accounting Codes</u> To search for the correct Default Accounting Code (DAC), you must use the allocations tab and the spyglass.

For best results, select 'contains' rather than 'begins with' when searching for an accounting code.

The system will not let you select an '*invalid*' accounting code, however, it will let you select a '*valid*' code that may not be the correct one for you to choose. So it is important to check that you have selected the correct default accounting code for you to avoid DAC errors.



Approving/Reallocating Transactions Transaction Detail Tabs

Transaction Detail Tabs

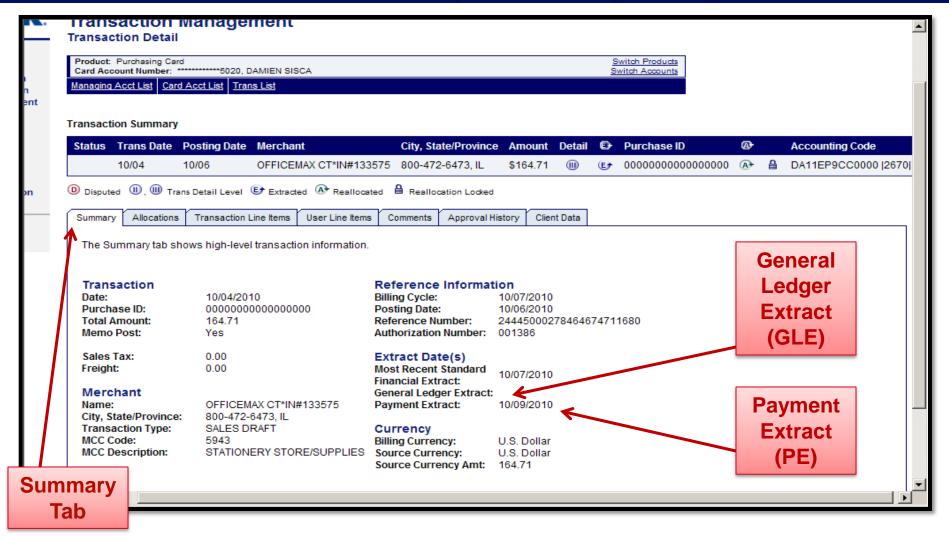
Make sure you are familiar with each tab under the transaction detail and the information it will provide you.

- <u>Summary Tab</u> Provides a synopsis of all the transaction details. Most importantly, this tab provides all the details regarding extraction for payment to U.S. Bank and reallocation of the accounting code being finalized.
 - Payment Extract (PE) Provides information on when the file was originally sent to NFC (FMMI) for payment.
 - GL Extract (GLE) Provides information on when the reallocation file was extracted from AXOL to NFC (FMMI) and has been paid.

NOTE: As of the GL Extract date, the cardholder will no longer be able to edit or make comments changes or split/change accounting codes. This is why you **MUST** have all of your information in hand and correct as soon as you begin the approval process. Coordinators should have cardholders complete the information in the Comments tab first.



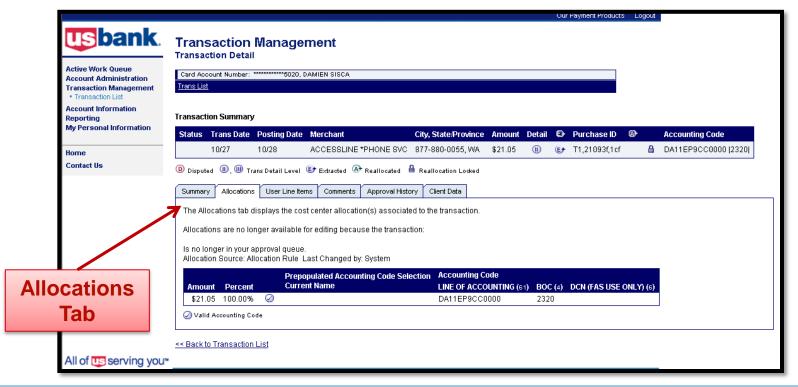
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- Transaction Detail Tabs, continued...
 - Allocations Tab Lists all cost centers associated with the transaction as well shows how the item price was divided between those various cost centers to pay for the transaction. If only one cost center is used, than there will be 100% associated to that cost center.





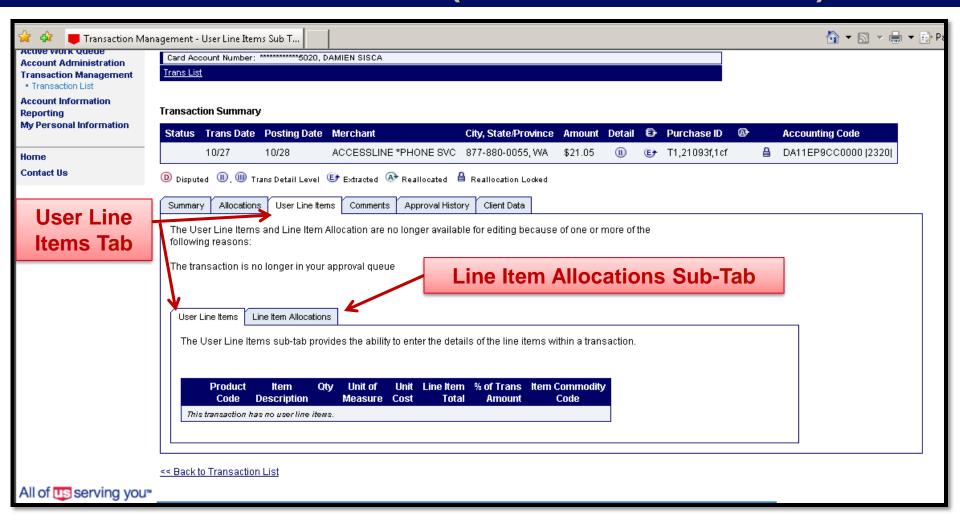
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- Transaction Detail Tabs, continued...
 - <u>User Line Items Tab</u> This is the area where you will be able to separate your reallocations within the transaction according to cost center.
 - REMINDER This will be FINAL once the GL Extract has gone out (normally 1-2 days after reallocation).
 - <u>Line Item Allocations Sub-Tab</u> Located within the *User Line Items Tab*, this provides a detailed breakdown of all the items contained on this invoice.
 - Occasionally you may need to break items down between different cost centers. This will provide you a detail receipt to do so.

NOTE: You can view a screenshot of this tab on the next following slide.



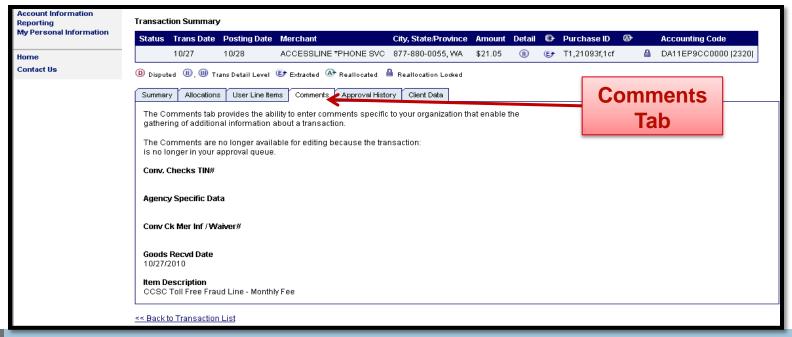
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Approving/Reallocating Transactions Transaction Detail Tabs (Comments Field Tab)

- Transaction Detail Tabs, continued...
 - <u>Comments Field Tab</u> From a management and oversight prospective, this is the
 most important tab and the one you must spend significant time making sure
 everything is detailed and correct. Comments Field information is especially critical
 when dealing with convenience checks. The screenshot below shows the
 Comments Tab and the screenshots on the next following two slides show the
 required fields which <u>MUST</u> be filled in.

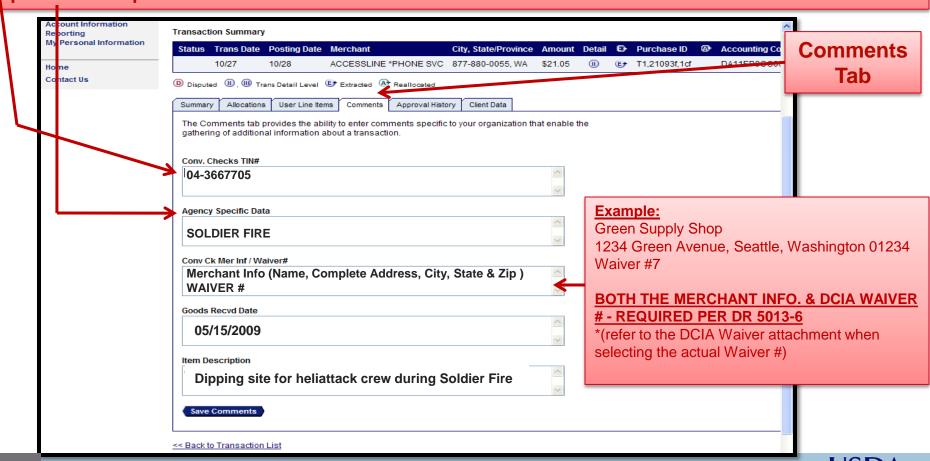




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Enter the Information on this page as follows:

- (1) Conv. Checks TIN# If a convenience check was written, enter the merchant's TIN.
- (2) Agency Specific Data This is a free (optional) field for each Agency to use per their own internal processes/requirements.



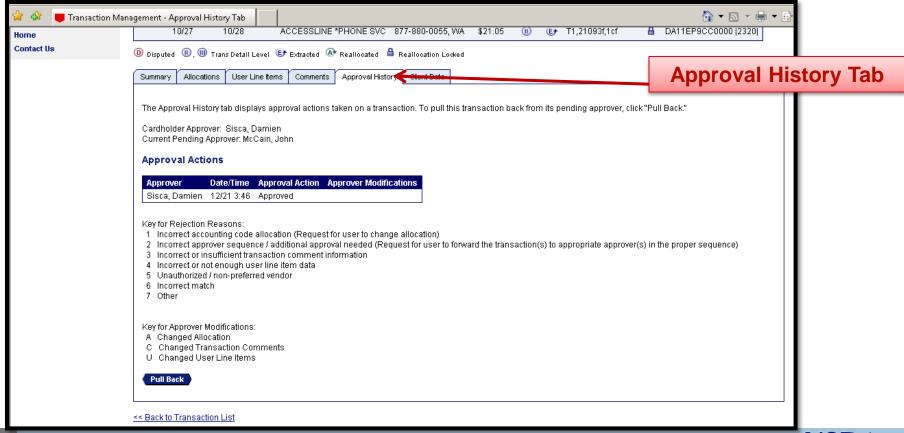
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Enter the information for: (3) Conv Ck Mer Inf/Waiver # (4) Goods Recvd Date and (5) Item Description. Then click on Save Comments and select the Summary tab. Transaction Summary ersonal Information Comments Status Trans Date Posting Jate Merchant 10/27 Tab The Comments tab provides the ability to enter comments specific to your organization that enable the gathering of additional information about a transaction Conv. Checks TIN# 04-3667705 If a convenience check, enter the Agency Specific Data Merchant's Name, Complete Address SOLDIER FIRE including City, State & Zip-code in Conv Ck Mer Inf/Waiver #. Also enter Conv Ck Mer Inf / Waiver# the DCIA waiver code. If it's not a Merchant Info (Name, Complete Address, City, State & Zip) convenience check, leave blank. WAIVER # Goods Recyd Date Enter the date the 05/15/2009 goods/services were Item Description received. Dipping site for heliattack crew during Soldier Fire Save Comments After completing information in all Comment Fields, click on Save Comments. << Back to Transaction List



Approving/Reallocating Transactions Transaction Detail Tabs (Approval History Tab)

- Transaction Detail Tabs, continued...
 - <u>Approval History Tab</u> This tab allows you to view the history of when both you, as the cardholder, and the Approving Official (AO) last touched the transaction.





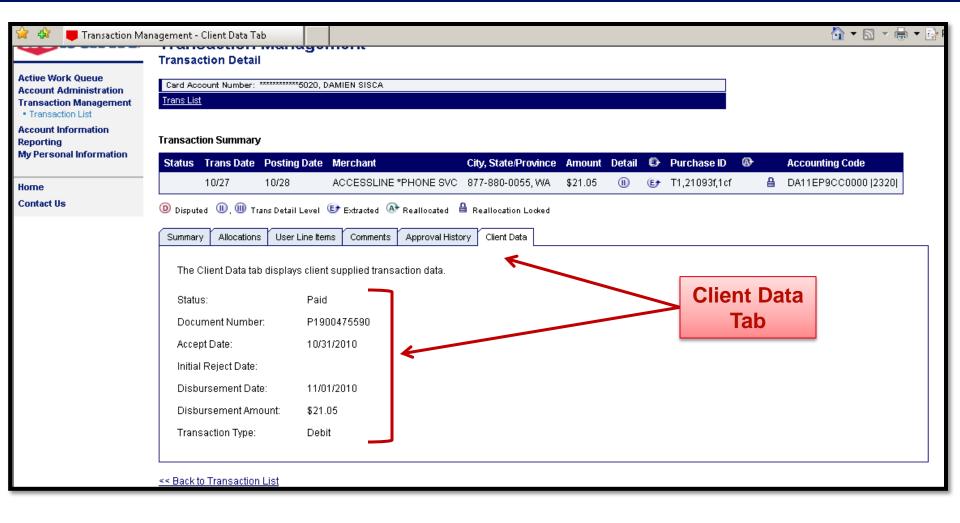
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- Transaction Detail Tabs, continued...
 - <u>Client Data Tab</u> This tab will give you all the USDA specific data related to the transaction such as:
 - When it was 'accepted' for payment at NFC and what date NFC 'disbursed' funds for payment.
 - o If the transaction became parked or stuck at NFC under 'reject' date.
 - Most importantly though, it will give you a document number by which to search for the transaction in FMMI later to make sure the reallocation was processed correctly.

NOTE: You can view a screenshot of this tab on the next following slide.



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Approving/Reallocating Transactions Transaction Detail Symbols & Terminology

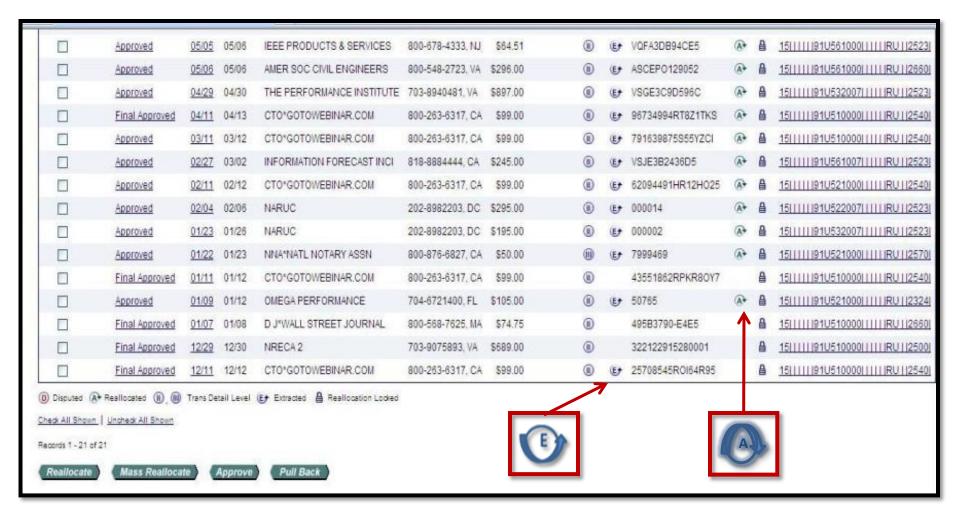
Transaction Detail Symbols & Terminology

- Means the transaction has been extracted from AXOL for payment to NFC (FMMI).
 This is always a must for transactions to be paid timely and to allow you as cardholders to approve transactions.
- Means the transaction has been reallocated in some way by the cardholder. It's critical to remember that until the GL Extract occurs, a cardholder may reallocate this transaction again as often as necessary, even though there may be a pad lock located to the right just before the accounting code. Even if the transaction was 'final approved' by your Approving Official.
 - Remember you will always be able to look at the summary screen to see if a GL Extract has occurred. We will walk through the steps in a moment how to pull back a transaction which has been previously reallocated, but has not been permanently locked by having the GL Extract Occur.

NOTE: The next slide will show a transaction detail depicting both of the above examples as well as transaction which are both 'permanently' and 'temporarily' locked.



Approving/Reallocating Transactions Transaction Detail Symbols & Terminology





Approving/Reallocating Transactions Transaction Detail Actions

Transaction Detail Actions

- <u>Approve</u> This button indicates that no changes are required by the cardholder and the transaction will stay on the default accounting and the cardholder, merely, needs to approve the transaction.
- Reallocate This button will require you to change the accounting code to a different valid accounting code.
- <u>Mass Reallocate</u> This button will allow you to change the accounting code on multiple transactions at one time, as long as the same code will be placed on each transaction.
- <u>Pull Back</u> This button will allow you to bring a transaction back out of your Approving Official's queue <u>prior</u> to them 'final approving' the transaction. This function <u>will not</u> work once a transaction has been approved.
 - NOTE: Any 'Pull Back' completed after the GL Extract has gone through, will not go through to FMMI and thus the reconciliation must be done in FMMI.
 - A screenshot of a 'Pull Back' on the 'Approval History Tab' can be viewed on the next following slide.



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